



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

ALASKA

RESOLUTION 24-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL REQUESTING THE ALEUT COMMUNITY OF SAINT PAUL ISLAND PASS THROUGH 25% OF ITS SHARE OF TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING ANNUALLY TO THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING ROADWAYS ON SAINT PAUL ISLAND, ALASKA

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul (City) is charged with providing maintenance on all established roadways within the City per City Code of Ordinance Title 1, Chapter 11.05; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution 22-19 on October 26, 2022, declaring a cultural, economic and social emergency due to the closure of the Bering Sea snow and king crab fisheries; and,

WHEREAS, the City has lost significant tax revenue due to this fishery closure, impacting its ability to hire personnel and purchase materials to maintain roadways; and,

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2024, State of Alaska announced the 2024/2025 total allowable catch (TAC) or Bristol Bay Red King Crab, Bering Sea Snow Crab, and Tanner Crab; and,

WHEREAS, the TAC for these crab species is low and Trident Seafoods has announced they do not plan to open the processing plant on Saint Paul Island to process crab, which will impact the City finances for a third year in a row now; and,

WHEREAS, the Aleut Community of Saint Paul Island (ACSPI), is the federally recognized tribe for the tribal members of Saint Paul Island; and,

WHEREAS, the ACSPI receives annual funding from the US Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Transportation Program under PL 93-638; and,

WHEREAS, the ACSPI may use up to twenty-five (25%) of its share of Tribal Transportation Program funding for road maintenance under Subpart G of 25 CFR 170; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Saint Paul hereby requests the Aleut Community of Saint Paul Island pass through twenty-five (25%) of its share of Tribal Transportation Program funding annually to the City of Saint Paul for the purpose of maintaining roadways on Saint Paul Island, Alaska.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL THIS 30th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024 BY __ IN FAVOR __ OPPOSED AND __ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

Jacob N. Mercurief, Mayor

Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk